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SUB: 33 OIL FIRMS QUALIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN SECOND ROUND OF
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1. SUMMARY - ALL 33 FIRMS SUBMITTING QUESTIONNAIRES HAVE BEEN
QUALIFIED TO PARTICIPATE IN SECOND ROUND OF BIDDING FOR OFFSHORE OIL
CONCESSIONS. THEY WILL PROBABLY BE ASKED TO PICK UP TENDER
DOCUMENTS NEXT WEEK. END SUMMARY.

2. AT ITS APRIL 6 MEETING NATIONAL PETROLEUM BOARD (NPB), DECIDED
TO QUALIFY ALL 33 FIRMS SUBMITTING QUESTIONNAIRES AS FOLLOWS:

21 AMERICAN FIRMS

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AMERADA HESS
AMOCO
CITIES SERVICE
ESSO EXPLORATION INC.
FOREST OIL
MARATHON
MOBIL OIL
NATOMAS
NEPCO
SANTA FE
PEXAMIN
SEA SHELF DEVELOPMENT
SHELL OIL CO.
STANDARD OIL OF CALIFORNIA
SUN OIL
SUPERIOR OIL
TREND EXPLORATION
TEXAS PACIFIC
UNION TEXAS
WENDELL PHILLIPS
OCEANIC EXPLORATION

5 CANADIAN FIRMS

BOW VALLEY
CANADIAN SUPERIOR
SIEBENS
SUNNINGDALE OIL
HUSKY OIL

2 AUSTRALIAN FIRMS

BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY
CONZINC RIO TINTO AUSTRALIAN

2 FRENCH FIRMS

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ELF-ACQUITAINE

ONE BRITISH FIRM

OMCO

ONE JAPANESE FIRM

KAIYO OIL

ONE NORWEGIAN FIRM

NORSE PETROLEUM

3. PROPOSED TERMS TO BE INCLUDED IN SECOND ROUND WILL BE
CONSIDERED BY CABINET AT ITS APRIL 10 MEETING. ACCORDING TO
NPB OFFICIALS AMONG CHANGES TO BE MADE ARE FOLLOWING:

- A. TIME SHORTENED FROM 24 MONTHS TO 18 MONTHS FOR
START OF DRILLING IN EACH BLOCK. COMPLETION OF FIRST WELL
REQUIRED IN 24 MONTHS INSTEAD OF 30 MONTHS.
- B. SURFACE TAX AND EXPLORATION TAX INCREASED SLIGHTLY.

4. NPB OFFICIALS STATE THAT ONCE CABINET HAS GIVEN APPROVAL,
COMPANIES WILL BE NOTIFIED WHEN TENDER DOCUMENTS CAN BE
PICKED UP -- PROBABLY SOMETIME NEXT WEEK.
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